

AirPong

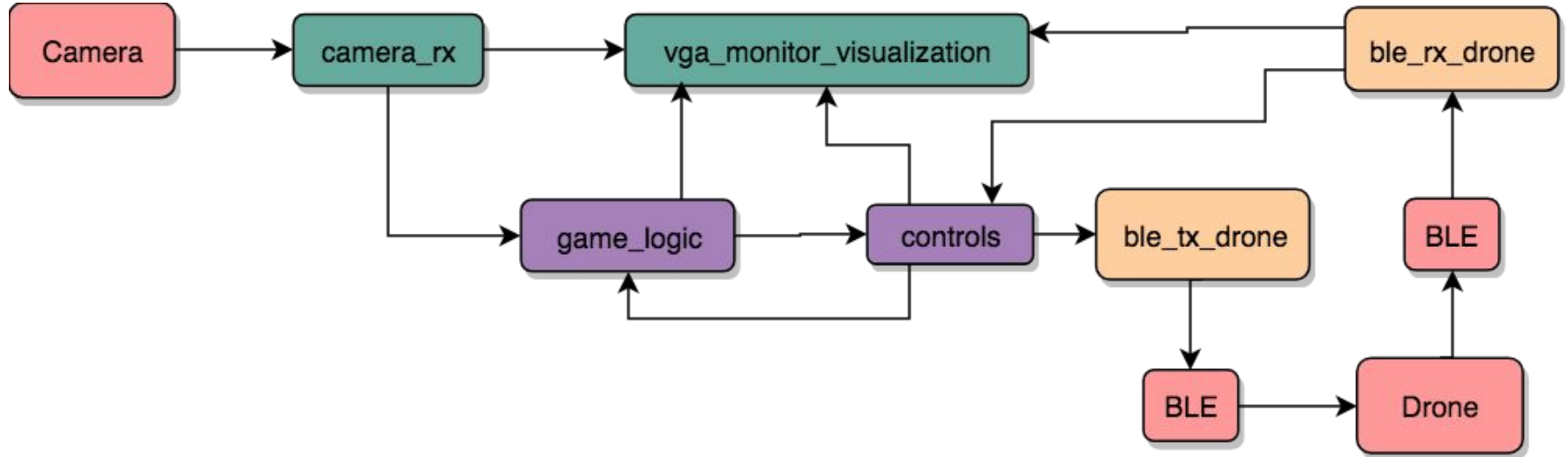
Bret Heaslet, David Mueller, Sabina Chen
6.111 Fall 2018

AirPong Overview

“Introducing *AirPong*... where players are the paddles and a drone is the puck.”

- Camera to track real-time locations of drone and players
- BLE communication between FPGA and drone
- Self-defined controls
- Augmented VGA monitor visualization

Block Diagram



The Quadcopter

- Parrot Mambo Mini-drone
 - 8 inch x 8 inch
 - Open-source
 - Bluetooth communication



Modules - BLE TX/RX

- Communications modules intended to interface with a UART BLE module.
 - ble_rx module will receive and interpret sensor data from the drone, via the BLE module. The interpreted data is packetized and stored in a 32-bit register and forwarded on to the controls, and computer vision modules.
 - ble_tx module will interpret commands from the controls module and transmit interpreted, packetized commands to the BLE module. The BLE module then forwards the command to the drone.
- Hardware
 - We will be utilizing the Bluetooth 4.0 HM-10 module.



Modules - Camera RX

- Camera module that processes pixel data from the NTSC camera and uses chroma keying to identify locations of drone and paddles
 - Input: pixels
 - Output: x and y coordinates of the center of drones and paddles
- Hardware
 - NTSC Camera
 - Wired directly to FPGA - will be hung from the ceiling to get a top-down view of game
 - Field of view: 700 x 525

Modules - VGA Monitor Visualization

- 2D Visualization module on the VGA monitor that will display game state information in an augmented format
 - Inputs: x and y coordinates of drone/paddles (via camera_rx), game state info (via game_logic), flight telemetry (via ble_rx/controls)
 - Outputs: Augmented 2D game visualization of the pong game overlaid on a live video feed from camera on the vga monitor
- Goal: Display game logic and game state in action
- Useful for debugging other modules!

Modules - Game Logic

- FSM module used to keep track of game state
 - Almost completely re-used from pong lab
 - Original implementation was written for modularity
- Continuously sends commanded velocity to the controls module
- Keeps track of player scores and win/loss conditions

Modules - Controls

- Receives commanded velocity from the Game Logic module
- Provides speed commands for all 4 drone motors.
- Speed commands obtained from feedback controller using:
 - Position, altitude, climb rate, roll, pitch, yaw
- Position information is obtained from overhead camera
- Acceleration and other state information obtained from onboard sensors
- Also controls takeoff and landing sequence
- Controller to be designed as part of joint project with 16.30's final project.

Timeline:



Questions?
